

House Resolution No. 2169

Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, it was fifty wondrous years ago that Darius Bartlett took the hand of his beautiful bride, Bettie VanMeter, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony on April 4, 1953, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett of Dudenville, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Darius and Bettie Bartlett have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Patricia Ann and Boyce Carson of Belton, Barbara Bartlett of Harrisonville, Kathleen May of Raytown, Suzanne Bragulla of Weathersfield, Connecticut, and Raymond and Sherry Bartlett of Harrisonville; six grandchildren, James Campbell, Thaddeous Bragulla, Gregory Bartlett, Tyler Bartlett, Patrick Keegan, and Richard Keegan; and two grandchildren by choice, David Reimal and Nancy (Reimal) Otis; and

Whereas, now retired, Darius Bartlett is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful endeavors as a General Supervisor, Process Engineer, and Supervisor of the Engineering Shop; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Bettie Bartlett offered her children boundless emotional support, guidance, and understanding which enhanced their lives in countless ways and enabled them to become responsible citizens with families of their own; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett of Harrisonville commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a reception on April 12, 2003, at the Harrisonville United Methodist Church:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Darius and Bettie Bartlett and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Darius Bartlett.

Offered by _____
Representative Rex Rector
District No. 124

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2169, adopted April 24, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker